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Police

Exemption of Mr. Padmappa from Public service qualifications.

* 99 Q.—Mr. K. R. Karant: Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased, with reference to the answer to question No. 1785, dated 23rd March 1928, (i) to place on the table of this House a statement showing the full qualifications, such as educational, departmental, length of service, etc., of the various sub-inspectors on duty in South Kanara on the date when Mr. Padmappa was granted exemption including the qualifications of Mr. Padmappa and (ii) to state—

(a) for what period the said Mr. Padmappa was serving as a head constable and under which of the sub-inspectors;

(b) on what date he was made a sub-inspector;

(c) to how many of the sub-inspectors aforesaid he was a junior;

(d) how long he was in the last grade of sub-inspectors and when he was promoted to the first grade all at once;

(e) how many and which of the other sub-inspectors had acted as inspectors and whether they were found competent or incompetent; if so, which of them; and

(f) whether the Government will call for the information and place on the table of the House the certificate of exemption in question?

A.—(i) & (ii) (a) to (d) The Government have no information; they have called for it.

(ii) (e) The Government will inquire as to the points raised in the first part of the question but must decline to enter into the comparative competence or incompetence of various officers.

(f) A copy of G.O. No. 1340, Public, dated 22nd December 1927, is laid on the table. [a]

Mr. K. R. Karant:—"May I ask the hon. the Home Member whether the exemption in question does not do injustice to 32 sub-inspectors?"

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir Muhammad Usman Sahib Bahadur:—"The question has already been decided, Sir."

Economic condition

Free supply of building materials to sufferers from fire accidents in Tiruvannamalai division.

* 100 Q.—Mr. T. Adinarayana Chettiyar: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether he is aware that serious and destructive fires broke out in Tiruvannamalai division, North Arcot district, recently;

(b) the number of fires since January last, the number of houses burnt down and the approximate value of property lost through these fires;

(c) whether Government gave any help to these sufferers in the matter of rebuilding their huts; and

(d) whether the Government will be pleased to investigate into the matter and order the free supply of building materials to the sufferers?

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a Printed as Appendix II on pages 222-223 infra.